NextGen and the benefits of modernization, after receiving testimony from Hank Krakowski, Chief Operating Officer, Air Traffic Organization, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; Gerald L. Dillingham, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; Joe Kolshak, United Airlines, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the Air Transport Association of America; Dale Wright, National Air Traffic Controllers Association, Washington, D.C.; and TK Kallenbach, Honeywell Aerospace, Phoenix, Arizona.

ENERGY MARKET TRANSPARENCY AND REGULATION IMPROVEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy concluded a hearing to examine how to improve energy market transparency and regulation, after receiving testimony from Howard Gruenspecht, Acting Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; Anna Cochrane, Acting Director, Office of Enforcement, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Robert McCullough, McCullough Research, Portland, Oregon; and Gerry Ramm, Inland Oil Company, Ephrata, Washington, on behalf of the Petroleum Marketers Association of America.

TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine transportation investment, after receiving testimony from Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation; Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell, Harrisburg; and Mayor Kathleen Novak, Northglenn, Colorado, on behalf of the National League of Cities.

LONG-TERM CARE IN HEALTH REFORM

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Health Care concluded a hearing to examine the role of long-term care in health reform, after receiving testimony from Judith Feder, Center for American Progress Action Fund, Ray Scheppach, National Governors Association, Dennis G. Smith, The Heritage Foundation, and Joshua M. Wiener, RTI International, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Christopher R. Hill, of Rhode Island, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Reed, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine foreign policy and the global economic crisis, after receiving testimony from Lawrence B. Lindsey, former Director of the National Economic Council; Martin Wolf, Financial Times, London, United Kingdom; and George Soros, Soros Fund Management and Open Society Institute, New York, New York.

SOUTHERN BORDER VIOLENCE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Southern border violence, focusing on homeland security threats, vulnerabilities, and responsibilities, after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security; James B. Steinberg, Deputy Secretary of State; and David Ogden, Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation, after receiving testimony from Robert S. Mueller, III, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for Small Business Administration, after receiving testimony from Darryl K. Hairston, Acting Administrator, Small Business Administration.

BENEFITS DELIVERY METHODS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine State-of-the-Art information technology (IT) solutions for Veterans' Affairs benefits delivery, after receiving testimony from Stephen W. Warren, Acting Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology, and Keith M. Wilson, Director, Education Service, and Kim A. Graves, Director, Office of Business Process Integration, both of the Veterans Benefits Administration, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and Scott A. Gaydos, EDS, Washington, D.C.

ALZHEIMER'S STUDY GROUP

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine an update from the Alzheimer's Study Group, after receiving testimony from former Senator Bob Kerrey, former Speaker of the House of Representatives Newt Gingrich, and Sandra Day O'Conner, former Associate Justice, Supreme Court